Atharva Naik

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Aug 2024 - Dec 2025 (expected)

Education

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS, USA

Master of Science, Computer Science

Thesis: Formal Methods and Algorithms

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics & Computer Science

GPA: 3.92 / 4.00, Highest Distinction

James Scholar Honors Program, Dean's List, LAS Global Leaders Program, Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity, ACM Reflections | Projections Technology Conference, Illinois Geometry Lab, Quant@UIUC

SINGAPORE AMERICAN SCHOOL - HIGH SCHOOL, SINGAPORE

Experience

CS 440 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Aug 2024 - present

Aug 2020 - May 2024

- Providing weekly office hours and asynchronous forum assistance to provide conceptual clarifications to over 1500 students
- Writing programming assignments and grading in-class quizzes to provide application-based understanding

AMEREN

Machine Learning Intern

May 2023 - present

- Creating an ensemble learning application with supervised (CatBoost) and unsupervised (Deep Survival Analysis Recurrent Neural Network) models to predict employee retirement at an accuracy level 300% higher than traditional methods
- Spearheading the development of gas usage and gas customer count predictions using purpose-built clustering methods (Fast Fourier Transform K-Means) and hierarchical time series forecasting (Regression, ARIMA, Prophet)
- Deploying highly scalable, distributed, end-to-end machine learning applications using PySpark on Databricks

ILLINOIS GEOMETRY LAB

Mathematics Research Assistant

Jan 2023 - May 2023

- Researched the uniform distribution and rigidity of various sequences and their relationships with Farey fractions
- Developed a Pythonic way to visualize and approximate the distributions of the powers of rationals, their densities in the unit interval, and their probabilities uniformly distributed in the interval

Projects

- ▶ GeoPi a unified web platform for 3D visualization & management of geolocation data from multiple HFT hardware sources
- Dagger a repository dependency graph generator in C++ with GraphViz and Dirent
- FCAX a pipeline in C++ using OpenCV and a Cinder GUI to automatically stabilize and color correct videos
- ExcelSheet a conversational Facebook Messenger chatbot to track, report, and analyze day-to-day expenses
- Finalist, MIT Policy Hackathon 2022 data analysis and predictions for housing crisis demand in Massachusetts
- ► OccuPi near real-time and forecasted room occupancy using edge computing and zero-shot transfer learning

Leadership

ACM REFLECTIONS | PROJECTIONS TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE

Director 2023, Development & Systems Chair 2022

Jan 2023 - Sep 2024

 Directed over 40 students in diverse operational teams to organize the largest student run technology conference in the midwest, managing a budget of more than \$100,000

THETA TAU PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

Technology Chair 2022

Aug 2021 - present

Maintained a React Native website with active database management in MongoDB and synchronous backend services for over 80 members with real-time attendance and event tracking with demographic data visualizations

LAS GLOBAL LEADERS PROGRAM

Teaching Assistant 2024

Aug 2020 - May 2024

- Worked with a team of health professionals and social workers within the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District to increase awareness for the community around mental health resources using Human-Centered Design solutions
- ▶ Taught an introductory Human-Centered Design course and mentored projects for a class of 24 students

Skills and Relevant Coursework

- Java, C++ (w/ OpenCV, GraphViz), Python (w/ Numpy, Pandas, Seaborn, Scipy, Pytorch, PySpark), HTML, CSS, React, and Swift
- Fluent in verbal and written English, French (ACTFL Advanced), Hindi, and Marathi
- ▶ Distributed Algorithms, Machine Learning for Signal Processing, Systems Programming, Artificial Intelligence, Numerical Analysis, Differential Equations, Real Analysis, Combinatorics, High Frequency Trading, Algorithmic Market Microstructure